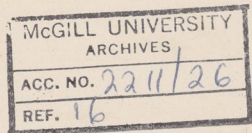


McRae  
Jan 19



Montreal,  
19<sup>th</sup> Jan'y, 1870.

Dear Sir,

The First  
Annual Meeting of the  
Society for the Prevention  
of Cruelty to Animals,  
takes place to morrow  
Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> inst.  
at 4 o'clock in the Mechanics  
Hall -

Will you  
kindly be present if  
you can do so conveniently?

We hoped some time ago  
that we should have  
been able to have a  
large public meeting  
in the evening & as  
Mr. Weaver told you, we  
wished you to speak  
for us. But we were  
unable to secure the  
presence of Mr. Bergh  
of the New York or  
Mr. Angell of the Boston  
Society or of Rev. Dr. Kirk



of Boston & at home  
the Roman Catholic  
Administrator of the Diocese  
declined giving us the  
services of any of his  
clergy -

We therefore  
abandoned (for the  
present) our idea -

I fear that there will  
not be many at the  
meeting to morrow  
but if you will come  
to it, you will render

us a great service

Yours sincerely,  
F. MacKenzie